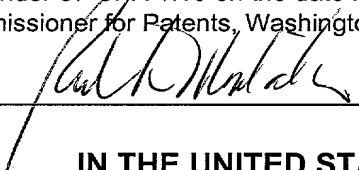


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

The above-identified application is filed concurrently herewith, please amend the title and specification as follows:

Please correct a typographical error in the title, the word "STRANDED" (STRNADED) is misspelled.

METHOD OF ANALYZING DOUBLE STRANDED DNA

Page 1, line 1, delete the word "specification";

after the title and before FIELD OF THE INVENTION insert the following:

--CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority of Japanese Application Nos. 325136/2000 filed October 25, 2000 and 332249/2000 filed October 31, 2000, the complete disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference. --

REMARKS

The above amendment is submitted to correct a typographical error in the title and to include the cross-referencing of the Japanese priorities. No new matter is added.

Entry into the application is earnestly solicited.

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